## **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2003-273-E - ORDER NO. 2005-391

JULY 22, 2005

IN RE:	Aiken Electric Cooperative, Inc.,	ORDER GRANTING DELAY OF HEARING
	Complainant,	
	vs.	)
	South Carolina Electric & Gas Company,	
	Respondent.	
	)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") on the request of Aiken Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("Aiken Electric") to delay the hearing scheduled for Aiken Electric's Complaint filed against South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G").

Pursuant to Rule 601 of the South Carolina Appellate Rules, Aiken Electric's counsel, on July 13, 2005, filed a request with the Commission seeking to delay the hearing in the instant case. The hearing regarding Aiken Electric's complaint is presently scheduled to be heard before the Commission on October 19, 2005. According to counsel for Aiken Electric, he is required to appear in a three week jury trial in the United States District Court beginning October 3, 2005, and therefore a delay in the hearing is needed.

On July 19, 2005, SCE&G filed a response to Aiken Electric's request advising that SCE&G does not object to Aiken Electric's request as it appears to be for good cause.

The Commission finds the request of Aiken Electric warranted, finds that the request will not unduly prejudice any party, and therefore grants the request to delay the hearing presently scheduled in the instant proceeding. The hearing will be rescheduled for a later date.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Aiken Electric Cooperative, Inc.'s request for a delay in the hearing presently scheduled for October 19, 2005, is granted.
- 2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Randy Mitchell, Chairmar

ATTEST:

G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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